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Wormans Mill
Frederick
Private

C. 1790
Demolished 9/1978

Wormans Mill is a four story gable-roofed structure of stuccoed random coursed stone, three (3) bays wide and one room deep. The main entrance located in the second bay on the west side is a paneled door, with three light transom. Some of the double hung 9/9 windows are intact as well as paneled doors with H L hinges on the east and north sides. Located on the south end of the mill is an arched brick raceway.

Until 1978 the mill was part of a farm complex which included a large brick residence, frame barn and corn crib all of which have been demolished.

The first documented mention of Wormans Mill is on July 22, 1804 in the will of Hugh Reynolds who left to his son William Reynolds "100 Acres . . . together with the mills and other buildings there on erected." The mill and property were then sold to John Reynolds, Jr., who in 1822, sold it to Moses Worman for \$8,500.00. According to the 1858 Isaac Bond Map of the county, the building was known as "the old mill" even at that earlier date. The mill was owned by the Worman family until 1915.

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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Worman's Mill

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATIONSTREET & NUMBER West side of North Market Street extended, about one-half mile NE of
intersection with Penn Central tracks

CITY/TOWN

Frederick

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

X VICINITY OF Harmony Grove Sixth

STATE

Maryland

CODE

24

COUNTY

Frederick

CODE

021

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

DISTRICT

X BUILDING(S)

STRUCTURE

SITE

OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

PUBLIC

X PRIVATE

BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

IN PROCESS

BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

OCCUPIED

X UNOCCUPIED

WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

YES: RESTRICTED

YES: UNRESTRICTED

X NO

PRESENT USE

AGRICULTURE

COMMERCIAL

EDUCATIONAL

ENTERTAINMENT

GOVERNMENT

INDUSTRIAL

MILITARY

MUSEUM

PARK

PRIVATE RESIDENCE

RELIGIOUS

SCIENTIFIC

TRANSPORTATION

X OTHER: Not in Use

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Thomas and Richard Kline

STREET & NUMBER

423- C East Patrick Street

CITY/TOWN

Frederick

VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland 21701

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC

Frederick County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Court Street

CITY/TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Maryland 21701

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY/TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Worman's Mill is a four-story, gable-roofed structure of stuccoed random-coursed stone which faces west from the west side of North Market Street extended just north of Frederick, Maryland.

The mill is three bays wide and one room deep. It has been vacated for over twenty years and has deteriorated badly from vandalism and flooding. Some of the double-hung, 9/9 windows are intact as are paneled doors with H-L hinges on the east and north sides. The main entrance, located in the second bay on the west side, is also a paneled door, with three-light transom. Located on the south end of the mill is an arched brick raceway now almost buried with silt from the nearby stream.

The interior of the structure is in extremely poor condition with large sections of the floor missing. An array of broken and rusted 19th century milling machinery is scattered throughout the building.

Until recently the mill was part of a farm complex which included a large brick residence, frame barn and corn crib, all of which have been destroyed.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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Land and Probate Records of Frederick County, Courthouse, Frederick, Maryland.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

AREA OF DESIGNATED PROPERTY One Acre

UTM REFERENCES

A

ZONE EASTING NORTHING

B

ZONE EASTING NORTHING

C

D

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

1 km

NAME TITLE

Cherilyn Widell/ In cooperation with Frederick County Landmarks Foundation

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Frederick County Historic Preservation

January 17, 1978

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

Winchester Hall; 12 East Church Street

(301) 663-8300

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Frederick

Maryland 21701

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL ☐

STATE ☐

LOCAL ☐

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

TITLE

DATE

FOR NPS USE ONLY

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES Circa 1790

BUILDER/ARCHITECT John Davidson

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Worman's Mill, located just north of the City of Frederick, Maryland, has long stood as a historical landmark to people of Frederick County. It is one of few stone mills still standing in the county.

Originally the land on which the mill was built was part of the "Taskers Chance" tract, which belonged to Daniel Dulaney until the "commissioners appointed to preserve confiscated British Property" sold Lot #27 consisting of 354 acres to John Davidson, Merchant, from the City of Annapolis on October 10, 1781.¹ The cost of the transaction, which included two other smaller properties, was 3,550 pounds. It is not known whether Lot #27 included a mill, but by 1796 when the trustees of John Davidson's estate sold the same lot of 354 acres to Hugh Reynolds for 5,310 pounds, it seems likely that it included a mill.² First mention of the mill is made by Hugh Reynolds in his will written July 22, 1804, in which he leaves to his son William Reynolds "100 acres... together with the mills and other buildings thereon erected."³ The mill and property were then sold to John Reynolds, Jr., who in 1822 sold it to Moses Worman for \$8,500.00. According to the 1858 Isaac Bond Map of Frederick County, the building was known as "the old mill" even at that earlier date. Worman's Mill also had a role in the Civil War. In June of 1863, when the Eleventh Army of the Union Army of the Potomac was enroute to Gettysburg, the troops camped in the fields surrounding Worman's Mill.

The mill was owned and operated by the Worman family until 1915 when William J. Worman died and the estate was sold.

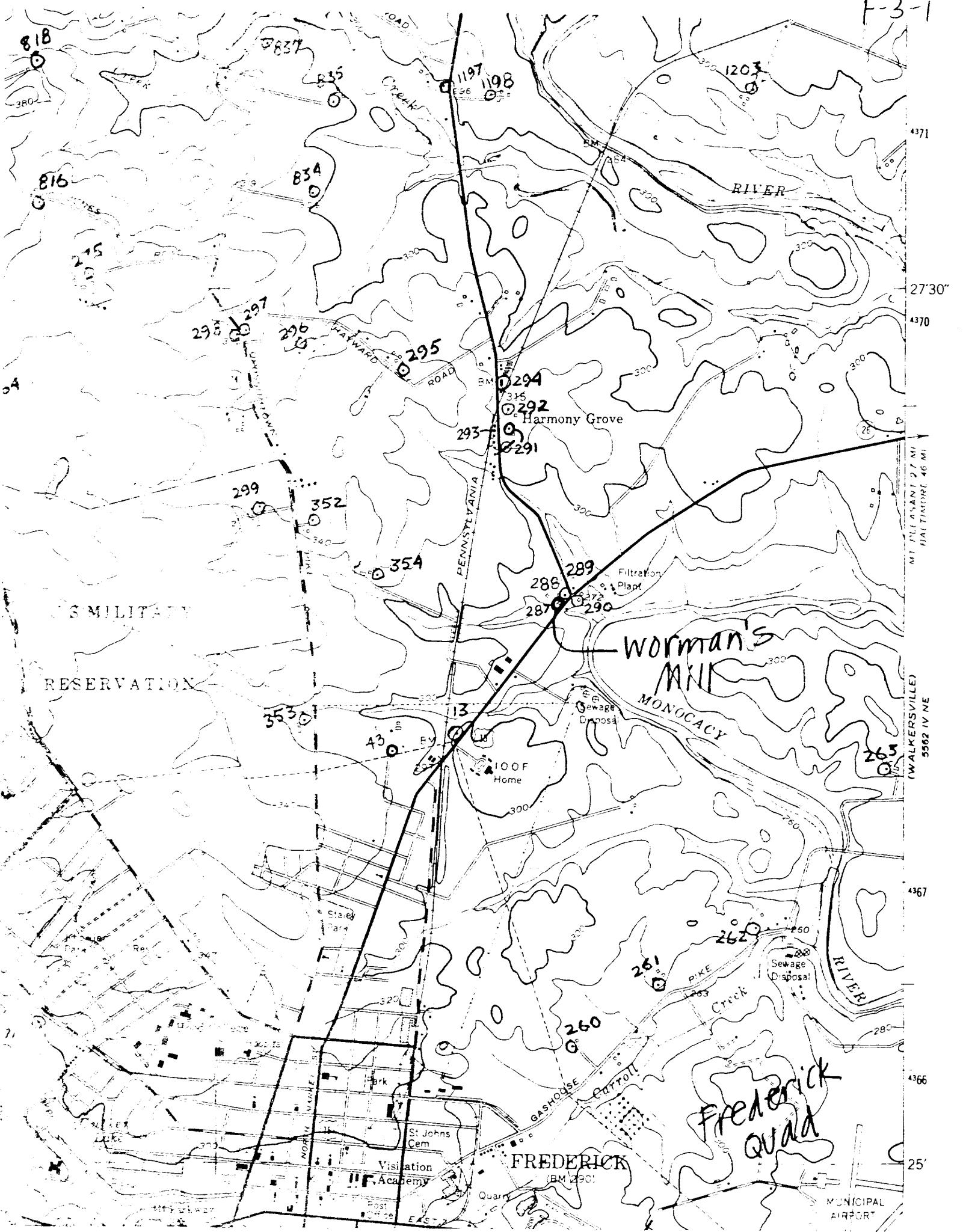
The complex, which once also included several outbuildings, a barn and a beautiful, large brick residence belonged to the Clemson family until the 1970's, at which time it was purchased by a developer, who destroyed all buildings but the mill.

Frederick County Landmarks Foundation would like to acquire this mill, and restore it.

¹ Frederick County Land Records, Liber WR 4, folio 323, October 14, 1781.

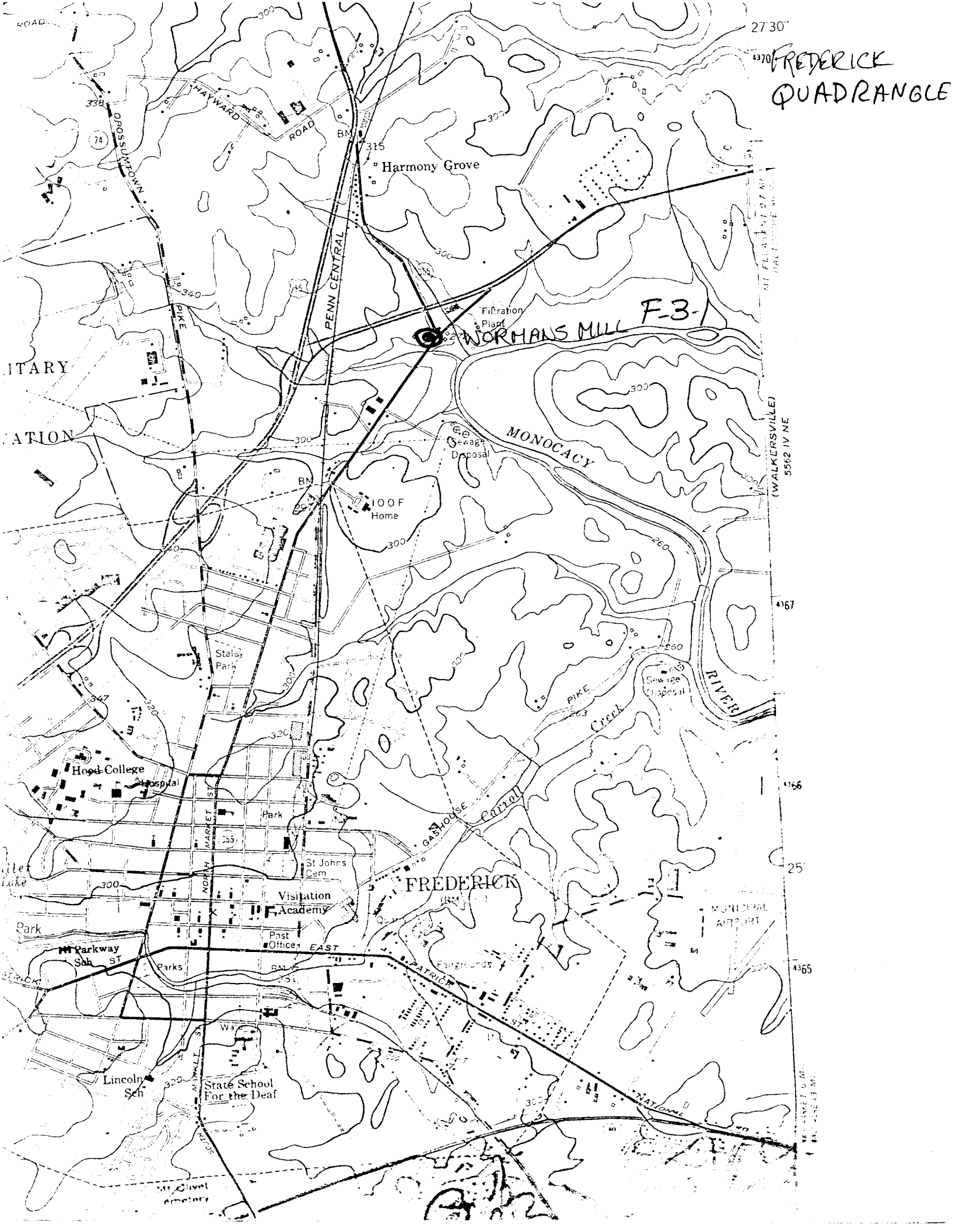
² Frederick County Land Records, Liber WR 20, folio 330, June 4, 1800.

³ Frederick County Probate Records, Liber GMRB 1, folio 46, August 31, 1804.



27°30'

FREDERICK QUADRANGLE





WORMANS MILL

NORTH MARKET STREET EXTENDED

SOUTH WEST ELEV

CEW 10/77

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